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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application.

Claims 1-24. (cancelled)

25. (currently amended) A compound having the following formula:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & NH \\
\parallel \\
N - C - NH_2
\end{array}$$

wherein R and R<sup>1</sup> are each independently substituted or unsubstituted non-cyclic alkyl having from 1 to about 20 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl having from 2 to about 20 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted alkynyl having from 2 to about 20 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted carbocyclic aryl having at least about 5 ring atoms, substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy having from 1 to about 20 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted are unsubstituted aminoalkyl having 1 to about 20 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted alkylsulfinyl having from 1 to about 20 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted alkylsulfinyl having from 1 to about 20 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl having at least about 5 ring atoms, or a substituted or unsubstituted heteroaromatic or heteroalicyclic group having from 1 to 3 rings, 3 to 8 ring members in each ring and from 1 to 3 hetero atoms; and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

26. (previously presented) A compound of claim 25 wherein at least one of R and R<sup>1</sup> is substituted or unsubstituted carbocyclic aryl or substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl.

27. (previously presented) A compound of claim 25 wherein both R and R<sup>1</sup> are substituted or unsubstituted carbocyclic aryl or substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl.

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28. (previously presented) A compound of claim 25 wherein both R and R<sup>1</sup> are substituted or unsubstituted carbocyclic aryl.

(previously presented) A compound of claim 25 wherein R and R<sup>1</sup> are substituted or unsubstituted phenyl, substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl or substituted or unsubstituted benzyl.

20. (previously presented) A compound of claim 25 selected from the group consisting of:

N-(4-sec-butylphenyl)-N-benzylguanidine;

N-(5-acenaphthyl)-N-benzylguanidine;

N-(3-acenaphthyl)-N-benzylguanidine;

N-(5-acenaphthyl)-N-(4-isopropylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(3-acenaphthyl)-N-(4-isopropylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(4-cyclohexylphenyl)-N-(4-isopropylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(4-cyclohexylphenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl) guanidine;

N-(2-fluorenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(4-sec-butylphenyl)-N-(cinnamylmethylene)guanidine;

N-(4-n-butoxyphenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(3-biphenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(5-indanyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl) guanidine;

N-(3-trifluoromethoxyphenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

 $N\hbox{-}(4\hbox{-}\mathit{sec}\hbox{-}\mathsf{butylphenyl})\hbox{-}N\hbox{-}(4\hbox{-}\mathit{tert}\hbox{-}\mathsf{butylbenzyl})guanidine;$ 

N-(5-acenaphthyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(3-acenaphthyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl) guanidine;

N-(methoxy-1-naphthyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(1-naphthyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(3-iodophenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl) guanidine;

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N-(4-chloro-1-naphthyl)-N-(4-tert-benzyl)guanidine;

N-(4-tert-butylphenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(4-iodophenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(1-naphthylmethyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(5-acenaphthyl)-N-(3-phenoxybenzyl)guanidine;

N-(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(3-methylthiophenyl)-N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)guanidine;

N-(5-acenaphthyl)-N-(3-iodobenzyl)guanidine;

N-(5-acenaphthyl)-N-(cinnamyl)guanidine;

N-(5-acenaphthyl)-N-(4-iodobenzyl)guanidine;

N-(5-acenaphthyl)-N-(4-trifluoromethoxybenzyl)guanidine; and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

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21. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of any one of claims 25 through 30 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.